



REMARKS

Claims 1-48 remain in the application. A number of the claims have been amended in response to the Office Action. No claims have been cancelled and none have been added.

Claims 1-48 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as being indefinite. The Applicants strongly disagree with the Examiner's characterization of the claims as failing to conform to current U.S. practice so that they could not be searched. The minor objections to the claim wording provided by the Examiner could have been included in a substantive examination after a search had been carried out. The above claim amendments have been made in response to the specific points raised by the Examiner. It is submitted that a search should now be carried out. If the Examiner believes that further amendment is needed, he is invited to contact the Applicant's attorney in order that changes may be made by Examiner's amendment and prosecution can proceed.

Respectfully submitted,

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